

EC-9049. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Adequacy of Nebraska Municipal Solid Waste Landfill Program" (FRL No. 8242-6) received on November 15, 2006; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-9050. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standards of Performance for Industrial-Commercial-Industrial Steam Generating Units" (RIN2060-AN96) received on November 15, 2006; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-9051. A communication from the Acting Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revenue Procedure: Reduction of Penalty for Understating Tax by Adequate Disclosure of an Item on Return" (Rev. Proc. 2006-48) received on November 15, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-9052. A communication from the Acting Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2006 Base Period T-Bill Rate" (Rev. Rul. 2006-54) received on November 15, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-9053. A communication from the Acting Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Substantiation of Expenses of Native Alaskan Whaling Captains" (Rev. Proc. 2006-50) received on November 15, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-9054. A communication from the Acting Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2007 Standard Mileage Rates" (Rev. Proc. 2006-49) received on November 15, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-9055. A communication from the Acting Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amplification of Revenue Procedure 2005-70" (Rev. Proc. 2006-51) received on November 15, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-9056. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles and defense services sold commercially under contract in the amount of \$100,000,000 or more to Italy; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-9057. A communication from the Secretary, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's Performance and Accountability Report for Fiscal Year 2006; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-9058. A communication from the Commissioner, Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Administration's Performance and Accountability Report for Fiscal Year 2006; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-9059. A communication from the Deputy Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's Fiscal Year

2006 Performance and Accountability Report; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-9060. A communication from the President of the United States of America, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the export to the People's Republic of China of items not detrimental to the United States space launch industry (motorized mixer with a stainless steel vacuum mixing tank and fine grain bulk graphite); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-9061. A communication from the President of the United States of America, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the export to the People's Republic of China of items not detrimental to the United States space launch industry (twelve Honeywell inertial measurement units); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. ROBERTS, from the Select Committee on Intelligence:

Special Report entitled "Committee Activities of 108th Congress" (Rept. No. 109-360).

By Ms. SNOWE, from the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship:

Report to accompany S. 3778, An original bill to reauthorize and improve the Small Business Act and the Small Business Act of 1958, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 109-361).

By Ms. COLLINS, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, without amendment:

S. 4046. A bill to extend oversight and accountability related to United States reconstruction funds and efforts in Iraq by extending the termination date of the Office of the Special Inspector General for Iraq Reconstruction.

## EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Ms. COLLINS for the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

\*Stephen Thomas Conboy, of Virginia, to be United States Marshal for the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of four years.

\*James H. Bilbray, of Nevada, to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service for a term expiring December 8, 2015.

\*Thurgood Marshall, Jr., of Virginia, to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service for a term expiring December 8, 2011.

\*Dan Gregory Blair, of the District of Columbia, to be a Commissioner of the Postal Rate Commission for a term expiring October 14, 2012.

\*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

## DISCHARGED NOMINATIONS

The Senate Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of the following nominations and the nominations were confirmed:

Jack Vaughn, of Texas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring September 20, 2006.

Adolfo A. Franco, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring September 20, 2008, to which position he was appointed during the recess of the Senate from January 6, 2005, to January 20, 2005.

Roger W. Wallace, of Texas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring October 6, 2008, to which position he was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

Kay Kelley Arnold, of Arkansas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring October 6, 2010. (Reappointment).

Gary C. Bryner, of Utah, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring June 26, 2008.

Thomas Joseph Dodd, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring June 26, 2008.

John P. Salazar, of New Mexico, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring September 20, 2012.

Thomas A. Shannon, Jr., of Virginia, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring September 20, 2012.

Jack Vaughn, of Texas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring September 20, 2012. (Reappointment).

Craig Roberts Stapleton, of Connecticut, to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Monaco.

Nominee: Craig R. Stapleton

Post: Ambassador to Monaco

The following is a list of all members of my immediate family and their spouses. I have asked each of these persons to inform me of the pertinent contributions made by them. To the best of my knowledge, the information contained in this report is complete and accurate.

Contributions, amount, date, and donee:

1. Self: 2,000.00, 7/17/03, Bush-Cheney '04; 25,000.00, 12/28/03, Bush/Cheney Victory 2004; 1,000.00, 2/13/04, John Graves for Congress; 1,000.00, 5/28/04, Friends of Jack Orchulli; 2,000.00, 5/28/04, Shays for Congress; 25,000.00, 6/21/04, RNC Presidential Trust; 500.00, 8/21/04, Republican Majority for Choice; 1,000.00, 9/15/04, Peter Coors for Senate; 2,000.00, 3/26/04, Simmons for Congress.

2. Spouse: Dorothy W. Stapleton, 2,000.00, 8/19/03, Bush-Cheney '04; 1,000.00, 3/26/04, Simmons for Congress; 1,000.00, 8/13/04, Fed PAC; 1,000.00, 10/8/04, Coors for Senate.

3. Children and Spouses: Walker Stapleton, 500.00, 9/24/02, Beauprez for Congress; 2,000.00, 8/20/03, Bush-Cheney '04; 1,000.00, 5/24/04, 500.00, 10/08/04, Coors for Senate.

4. Parents: Katharine H. Stapleton, 2,000.00, 8/20/03, Bush-Cheney '04.

5. Grandparents: No contributions.

6. Brothers and Spouses: Benjamin F. Stapleton III (Jane), 208.00, 10/13/04, Coburn for Senate; 208.00, 10/29/04, Coors for Senate; 500.00, 8/06/04, Udall for Congress; 1,000.00, 8/26/03, Bush-Cheney '04; 1,000.00, 6/15/04, Bush-Cheney '04; 1,000.00, 5/28/04, Shelby for Senate; 1,000.00, 8/04/04, Coors for Senate; 2,496.00, 10/13/04, Majority Fund for America's Future Committee.

7. Sisters and Spouses: No contributions.

Ronald Spogli, of California, to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of San Marino.

Nominee: Ronald P. Spogli  
Post: Ambassador, San Marino

The following is a list of all members of my immediate family and their spouses. I have asked each of these persons to inform me of the pertinent contributions made by them. To the best of my knowledge, the information contained in this report is complete and accurate.

Contributions, amount, date, and donee:

1. Self: 24,500, 7/29/04, 2004 Joint Candidate Committee; 7,500, 7/29/04, 2004 Joint State Victory Committee; 2,000, 6/30/04, Pete Coors for U.S. Senate-Primary; 2,000, 6/30/04, Pete Coors for U.S. Senate-General; 2,000, 3/26/04, John Thune for U.S. Senate-Primary; 25,000, 2/24/04, Republican National Committee; 25,000, 9/11/03, Republican National Committee; 2,000, 6/20/03, Bush-Cheney'04 Inc.; 1,000, 2/5/03, Kit Bond for U.S. Senate-Primary; 1,000, 7/11/02, John Cornyn for U.S. Senate; 1,000, 4/18/02, James Talent for U.S. Senate-Primary; 1,000, 4/18/02, James Talent for U.S. Senate-General; 1,000, 4/18/02, Norm Coleman for U.S. Senate-Primary; 1,000, 4/18/02, Norm Coleman for U.S. Senate-General; 1,000, 4/18/02, John Thune for U.S. Senate-Primary; 1,000, 4/18/02, John Thune for U.S. Senate-General; 1,000, 4/15/02, McConnell U.S. Senate Committee-General; 198,000, 4/11/02, Republican National Committee State Elections Account; 10,000, 11/12/01, National Republican Senatorial Committee; 20,000, 5/8/01, Republican National Committee State Elections Account; 1,000, 4/16/01, McConnell U.S. Senate Committee-Primary; 8,702, 1/19/01, Republican National Committee State Elections Account; 100,000, 1/2/01, Presidential Inaugural Committee; 5,000, 12/6/00, Bush-Cheney Presidential Transition Fund; 5,000, 11/16/00, Bush-Cheney Recount Fund; 300, 7/25/00, National Federation of Republican Women; 200, 7/6/00, Republican National Committee State Election Account; 1,000, 6/26/00, Abraham for U.S. Senate 2000; 125,000, 6/15/00, Republican National Committee State Election Account; 50,000, 5/15/00, Republican National Committee State Election Account; 15,000, 5/15/00, Republican National Committee; 10,000, 12/17/99, 1999 State Victory Fund Committee; 5,000, 11/16/99, Victory 2000 California Republican Party—Federal Account; 15,000, 11/6/99, Victory 2000 California Republican Party; 1,000, 3/7/99, Bush Presidential Exploratory Committee; 10,000, 3/23/98, George Bush Committee.

2. Spouse: Georgia B. Spogli, 7,500, 8/2/04, 2004 Joint State Victory Committee; 30,500, 8/2/4, 2004 Joint Candidate Committee; 25,000, 2/25/04, Republican National Committee; 25,000, 9/12/03, Republican National Committee; 2,000, 6/20/03, Bush-Cheney '04; 1,000, 2/5/03, Kit Bond for U.S. Senate-Primary; 1,000, 4/18/02, James Talent for U.S. Senate-Primary; 1,000, 4/18/02, James Talent for U.S. Senate-General; 1,000, 4/18/02, Norm Coleman for U.S. Senate-Primary; 1,000, 4/18/02, Norm Coleman for U.S. Senate-General; 1,000, 4/18/02, John Thune for U.S. Senate-Primary; 1,000, 4/18/02, John Thune for U.S. Senate-General; 20,000, 4/30/01, Republican National Committee; 5,000, 5/14/00, Victory 2004 California Republican Party; 15,000, 5/14/00, Republican National Committee; 10,000, 12/20/99, 1999 State Victory Fund; 5,000, 11/5/99, Victory 2000 California Republican Party—Federal Account; 1,000, 3/7/99, George Bush Presidential Exploratory Committee.

3. Children and Spouses: Caroline Hunter Spogli (daughter), none; William Alexander Ridley Considine, none.

4. Parents: Helen Spogli, deceased; Valerio Spogli, none.

5. Grandparents: Gesue Spogli, deceased; Marisilia Bartecchi Spogli Sacco, deceased; Salvatore Boccadori, deceased; Amelia Boccadori, deceased.

6. Brothers and Spouses: Robert Spogli, 100, 3/4/04, Bush-Cheney; 100, 8/20/04, Republican

National committee; 150, 8/8/98, Republican Congressional Committee;

7. Sisters and Spouses: none.

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. ALLEN:

S. 4057. A bill to protect the second amendment rights of individuals to carry firearms in units of the National Park System; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. 4058. A bill to expand the boundaries of the Gulf of the Farallones National Marine Sanctuary and the Cordell Bank National Marine Sanctuary; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG:

S. 4059. A bill to prohibit departments, agencies, and other instrumentalities of the Federal Government from providing assistance to an entity for the development of course material or the provision of instruction on human development and sexuality, if such material or instruction will include medically inaccurate information, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. DODD:

S. 4060. A bill to amend the Military Commissions Act of 2006 to improve and enhance due process and appellate procedures, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. DODD:

S. 4061. A bill to create, adopt, and implement rigorous and voluntary American education content standards in mathematics and science covering kindergarten through grade 12, to provide for the assessment of student proficiency benchmarked against such standards, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. INHOFE:

S. 4062. A bill to freeze non-defense discretionary spending at fiscal year 2007 levels effective in fiscal year 2008; to the Committee on the Budget.

By Mr. FEINGOLD:

S. 4063. A bill to provide for additional section 8 vouchers, to reauthorize the Public and Assisted Housing Drug Elimination Program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. CRAPO:

S. 4064. A bill to improve the amendments made by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. CLINTON:

S. 4065. A bill to direct the Attorney General to conduct a study on the feasibility of collecting crime data relating to the occurrence of school-related crime in elementary schools and secondary schools; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. GRAHAM:

S. 4066. A bill to prohibit the designation of Brazil under title V of the Trade Act of 1974; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEAHY (for himself, Mr. ALLARD, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. BYRD, Mr. INOUE, Mr. SALAZAR, Mr. ROBERTS, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. ENZI, Mrs. CLINTON, and Mr. ENSIGN):

S. 4067. A bill to provide for secondary transmissions of distant network signals for

private home viewing by certain satellite carriers; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SUNUNU (for himself and Mr. GREGG):

S. 4068. A bill to clarify provisions relating to statutory copyright licenses for satellite carriers; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. OBAMA:

S. 4069. A bill to prohibit deceptive practices in Federal elections; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. AKAKA (for himself and Mr. INOUE):

S. 4070. A bill to exempt children of certain Filipino World War II veterans from the numerical limitations on immigrant visas; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. LANDRIEU:

S. 4071. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the placed-in-service date requirement for low-income housing credit buildings and bonus depreciation property and the period for rehabilitation expenditures in the Gulf Opportunity Zone; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself and Mr. KERRY):

S. 4072. A bill to address ongoing small business and homeowner needs in the Gulf Coast States impacted by Hurricane Katrina and Hurricane Rita; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Mr. TALENT (for himself and Mr. BOND):

S. 4073. A bill to designate the outpatient clinic of the Department of Veterans Affairs located in Farmington, Missouri, as the "Robert Silvey Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic"; considered and passed.

By Mr. ALLARD:

S. 4074. A bill to provide certain counties with the ability to receive television broadcast signals of their choice; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

## SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. CHAMBLISS (for himself and Mr. ISAKSON):

S. Res. 615. A resolution designating November 26, 2006, as "Drive Safer Sunday"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. FRIST:

S. Res. 616. A resolution authorizing the Majority Leader and one staff member to travel to Mexico for the inauguration of the new President of Mexico scheduled for December 2, 2006; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. CHAMBLISS:

S. Res. 617. A resolution designating November 2006 as "National Lung Cancer Awareness Month"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CHAMBLISS (for himself and Mr. ISAKSON):

S. Res. 618. A resolution designating November 26, 2006, as "Drive Safer Sunday"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mr. COLEMAN, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. DAYTON, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mr. REED, Mr. DODD, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. LAUTENBERG, and Mr. LEAHY):

S. Res. 619. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that Senator Paul Wellstone should be remembered for his compassion and leadership on social issues and that Congress should act to end discrimination against citizens of the United States who live with mental illness by making legislation relating to mental health parity a